

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claims 54-88 were pending and subject to restriction requirement.

In this response, claim 88 has been canceled without prejudice. Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 54-87) by canceling without traverse claim 88 (Group II) for further prosecution. Applicant hereby reserves the right to pursue the canceled claims in the future.

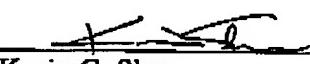
In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits the present application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (408) 720-8300.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any shortage of fees in connection with this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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